ABSTRACT

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The invention relates to a process for preparing 1,1,1-trifluoro-2,2-dichloroethane (F123).

This process consists in placing 1,1,1-trifluoro-2-chloroethane (F133a) in contact with chlorine in the presence of hydrogen fluoride and a fluorination catalyst.

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m F133a}$ may be obtained by fluorination of trichloroethylene, and the ${
m F123}$ may be subsequently fluorinated to ${
m F125}$.